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SUBJ: ETHIOPIAN GOODWILL DELEGATIONS TO EASTERN EUROPE

1. MAR 11 ETHIOPIAN HERALD REPORTED TWO HIGH-LEVEL
ETHIOPIAN DELEGATIONS LEFT MAR 10 FOR GOODWILL
VISITS TO SEVEN EAST EUROPEAN SOCIALIST COUNTRIES. FOUR-MAN
DEL LED BY HIGH-RANKING PROVISIONAL MILITARY
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL (PMAC) MEMBER, MAJ. FISSEHA
DESTA, WHO IN CHARGE OF ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS, WILL VISIT
GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, POLAND, AND
HUNGARY DURING 16-DAY VISIT. SECOND FOUR-MAN DEL WILL BE
LED BY PMAC MEMBER AND CLOSE MENGISTU CONFIDANT, MAJ.
DEMISSIE DERESSA, AND WILL VISIT ROMANIA, BULGARIA, AND AL-
BANIA DURING 10-DAY TOUR. BOTH DELS WILL BE CARRYING SPECIAL
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MESSAGES TO HEADS OF STATE FROM LTCOL MENGISTU HAILE-MARIAM,
PMAC CHAIRMAN AND ETHIOPIAN HEAD OF STATE.

2. DELS WILL BRIEF AUTHORITIES AND PEOPLE OF SEVEN SOCIALIST
COUNTRIES ON ETHIOPIAN REVOLUTION, ITS ACHIEVEMENTS AND DIFFI-
CULTIES IT HAS ENCOUNTERED. DELS ALSO EXPRESSED HOPE OF LEARN-
ING FROM EXPERIENCES OF SEVEN COUNTRIES HOW TO BUILD SOCIALISM.

DELS WERE SEEN OFF BY PMAC MEMBERS, MOFA PERMSEC, GETACHEW KIBRET, OTHER EPMG OFFICIALS AND GDR, ZCECH, POLISH, HUNGARIAN, BULGARIAN, AND ROMANIAN AMBS AND CHARGES D'AFFAIRES.

3. COMMENT: EAST EUROPEAN VISITS BY HIGH-LEVEL ETHIOPIAN DELS FOLLOWING CLOSELY ON HEELS OF RECENT PMAC DEPUTY CHAIRMAN ATNAFU'S WELL-PUBLICIZED VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA FURTHER EVIDENCE OF ETHIOPIAN DESIRE FOR CLOSE TIES WITH SOCIALIST COUNTRIES. VISITS ALSO PROBABLY ATTEMPT BY PMAC TO RECIPROCATATE MESSAGES OF SUPPORT FOR MENGISTU GOVT AND REVOLUTION AS WELL AS RECENT VISITS HERE BY EE DELS TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR EPMG. END OF COMMENT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMB WOULD APPRECIATE ANY DETAILS ADDRESSEES ABLE TO OBTAIN DURING ETHIOPIAN DELS' VISITS. TIENKEN

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